

CITT

CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST

Wednesday, March 29, 2006

City of Miami Commission Chambers

3500 Pan American Drive

6 p.m.

Revised Summary of Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marc A. Buoniconti, Chairman
Harold Braynon, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Henry Lee Givens
Hon. Linda Zilber
Susannah Troner
Hon. Jorge Rodriguez-Chomat
Angel DeCoro

Maureen O'Donnell
Miles Moss, P.E.
Hon. Anna E. Ward, Ph.D.
Rodney Sanders
Theodore Wilde
Hon. James Reeder

ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY:

Bruce Libhaber

OTHERS PRESENT:

Nan A. Markowitz, Executive Director, OCITT
Carlos F. Bonzon, Ph.D., P.E., CMO
Patrice Rosemond, OCITT
Martin Zilber, Coconut Grove Village Counsel
Nya Lake, OCITT
Albert Hernandez, P.E., MDT
Mary Conway, P.E., City of Miami
Sergio Masvidal, PFM
Mayra Bustamante, MDT

Nestor Toledo, OCITT
Maria E. Johnson, OCITT
David Tinder, P.E., PWD
Lourdes Gomez, MDT
Joanna Santiago, OCITT
Marlene Amaro, OCITT
Barbara Bravo, OCITT
Chimene Graham, MDT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With a quorum present, Mr. Buoniconti called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Mr. Martin Zilber, Coconut Grove Village Council, welcomed the CITT to Coconut Grove. Mr. Givens moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Wilde requested Items 3A and 3M remain on the consent agenda and read for the record. Ms. Zilber moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Moss moved to approve the minutes of February 22, 2006, as revised. The motion was seconded by Ms. Zilber and carried without dissent.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Mr. Jamal Sexton, NAACP, voiced his concerns regarding the lack of opportunities for minorities in upcoming County projects. Mr. Brad Brown, President of the NAACP Miami-Dade County Branch, commented on his concerns regarding fair employment.

Mr. Givens requested a report regarding the history of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, participation in the building of the Metrorail.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH TO CONDUCT A COASTAL COMMUNITIES TRANSIT STUDY WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS AND TO TAKE OTHER ACTIONS AS SPECIFIED IN THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT \$125,300 TO BE FUNDED IN PART BY THE CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,168 **(MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT) BCC Legislative File No. 060293)**

Mr. Moss moved to approve Item 7A; the motion was seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent.

- B. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT), RECOGNIZING POSTHUMOUSLY DANA REEVE, WIDOW OF MOVIE STAR CHRISTOPHER REEVE, FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE IN LOBBYING FOR FUNDING FOR SPINAL-CORD AND STEM-CELL RESEARCH THAT MIGHT LEAD TO A CURE FOR PARALYSIS AND FOR HER COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL PEOPLE **(PROPOSED BY MEMBER HENRY LEE GIVENS)**

Ms. Zilber suggested that "RESEARCH THAT MIGHT LEAD TO A CURE" be changed to "RESEARCH THAT WILL LEAD TO A CURE."

Mr. Givens moved to approve Item 7B as amended; the motion was seconded by Mr. Moss and carried without dissent.

PRESENTATION

Ms. Mary Conway, City of Miami, presented the City of Miami's PTP Municipal Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Conway covered Citywide Neighborhood Traffic Calming, Street Improvements and Streetscapes, Storm and Sewer Projects, Miami River Greenways, Transit Projects, and Miami-Dade County PTP Projects within the City of Miami. Dr. Ward inquired about a project on NE 2nd Avenue. Ms. Conway informed Dr. Ward it is an FDOT Project. Mr. Givens voiced his concerns regarding parking on Grand Avenue and potential problems for persons exiting cars. He requested a follow-up by the City of Miami. A request was made to provide the Members with a copy of the Grand Avenue Survey results from the City of Miami. Mr. Givens requested the City of Miami provide Mr. Tinder with information regarding community outreach efforts as it pertains to the NW 62nd Street Project. Ms. Conway stated

that she would provide Mr. Tinder with the information on how the community outreach was conducted.

REPORTS

Mr. Albert Hernandez, Deputy Director, Engineering, MDT, gave an update on the Pedestrian Overpass. He covered pedestrian and traffic volume. Mr. Hernandez reported that the University of Miami and South Miami Metrorail Stations meet the study guideline. Mr. Moss asked would there be approval for advertisement. Mr. Hernandez answered in the affirmative. Mr. Sanders requested information on the FDOT's plans to build a pedestrian overpass on State Road 7 in North Dade. Mr. Hernandez informed the Members that he would obtain the information requested. Mr. Hernandez reviewed the map of the Southwest Corridor. Mr. Moss inquired if the item on the Southwest Corridor was going to be heard at the April MPO meeting. Mr. Hernandez replied that he would obtain that information.

Mr. David Tinder, PTP Coordinator, PWD, reported on the Public Works Department's (PWD) People's Transportation Plan (PTP) Goals (report distributed). Mr. Sanders requested an update on the issues with the manhole covers located on NW 22nd Avenue. Mr. Tinder responded that manhole covers are in the process of being covered. Dr. Ward requested an update on the sidewalk repairs at Palm Springs North Elementary that was previously presented by Mr. DeCoro. Mr. Tinder addressed Mr. DeCoro's concerns and will follow-up with detailed information.

Mr. Nestor Toledo, Municipal Liaison, OCITT, provided an update on the municipalities (report distributed). Ms. Troner asked in regards to the Interlocal Agreement with Miami Beach on the Costal Project, are other municipalities using Surtax funds for similar projects. Mr. Toledo responded that other municipalities are using Surtax funds for similar projects, such as the Costal Project.

Ms. Patrice Rosemond, Community Outreach, OCITT, reported on Outreach Activities, the Joint PTP Marketing Task Force, and Upcoming Meetings (report distributed.) Mr. Givens suggested that booths representing the CITT be provided at different community events.

Ms. Maria Johnson, Manager, Project Review and Financial Analysis, OCITT, provided a report on the "Charter County Transit System Sales Surtax Collection Report as of February 2006," the "the CITT Cash Analysis of Charter County Transit System Sales Surtax," the "OCITT New Contracts for February 22, 2006," and the "OCITT PTP Active Contracts Status Report for PWD" (report distributed).

OLD BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Moss reviewed the topics discussed at the Joint BCC/CITT Workshop.

- Proposing a transit impact fee
- The CITT Retreat
- Continuing the contract with the financial consultant
- Pedestrian safety at transit stations

Mr. Givens voiced his concerns on the lack of initiative being taking on pedestrian safety. Mr. Buoniconti suggested that the issue of increasing the number of pedestrian overpasses, pedestrian crossings and signalization be discussed at the April 19, 2006, Project and Financial Review Committee Meeting. Mr. Givens stated that he would like a more aggressive approach taken by the CITT.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE REVIEW – HON. LINDA ZILBER

Ms. Zilber reported that CITT Retreat was discussed at the May 2, 2006, Community Outreach Committee Meeting. Ms. Zilber informed the Members that the information for the CITT Retreat was distributed. Ms. Zilber further stated that any changes to the ordinance can be indicated by putting a line through the original wording and indicating suggested language.

Mr. Buoniconti announced a tour would be given of the Miami Project at 11:30 a.m., one hour before the CITT Retreat.

Dr. Ward distributed her suggested changes to the Ordinance.

PROJECT AND FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REVIEW – MILES MOSS

Mr. Moss reported that the Project and Financial Review Committee covered in detail the consent agenda items, at the March 20, 2006, meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – NAN MARKOWITZ

Ms. Markowitz informed the Members that the Regional Transportation Committee will have three public hearings on April 12, 2006. Ms. Markowitz further stated that the Nominating Committee will meet on April 12, 2006, to select nominees for Districts 6, 7, 8, and 9.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Ms. Linda Alger, Citizen of the City of Miami, requested information on the FDOT's Plans to install smart signs at major intersections along US1.

NEW BUSINESS/CITT MEMBER ISSUES

Mr. Wilde requested that the UDB resolution approved by the CITT be re-submitted to the BCC as soon as possible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Buoniconti announced the next CITT meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2006, at 2 p.m., at SPCC, 111 NW 1 Street, Commission Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

MINUTES ARE IN SUMMARY FORM

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